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BUYER: ASHLEY SUPER

ashley.super@iowa.gov

515-281-7073

FOB

PAYMENT TERMS (%): DAYS:

VENDOR:

Xiotech Co VENDOR CONTACT:

6455 Flying Cloud Dr Mary Reuss

Eden Prairie, MN 55344-3305 PHONE: 952-983-2655 EMAIL:

USA VENDOR #: 41182109300

DESCRIPTION OF ITEMS CONTRACTED

Computer, Network Storage per attached.

Reference:

http://www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us/wsca/2004-2009%20contracts.htm

and contractor's E-Store:

http://www.xiotech.com/supportDetail.jsp?top=37&mid=48975&siteObjectID=100637

Sales Account Rep: Steve Schmitz Ph: 952-983-2289 Fax: 952-983-2527

Email: Steven_Schmitz@xiotech.com

Agency to FAX or Mail purchase order to directly to:

Xiotech Corporation 6455 Flying Cloud Drive Eden Prairie, MN 55344 Fax: 952-983-2527

A notation should be put in the body of the order, stating WSCA Agreement #A63316 and which reseller the Participating Entity worked with, or if no reseller was use, then the note should state - ôno preference on resellerö.

RENEWAL PERIODS

FROM 09-01-2007 **TO** 08-31-2008 **FROM** 09-01-2008 **TO** 08-31-2009

THRESHOLDS

MINIMUM ORDER AMOUNT: MAXIMUM ORDER AMOUNT: NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT:

AUTHORIZED DEPARTMENT

ALL

SUB Political Sub-divisions

		TOTAL	\$0.00
VENDOR:	CONDITIONS	THIS MA IS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS ATTACHED HERETO. PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENTS FOR FURTHER DESCRIPTIONS.	
APPROVED BY:			



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LINE NO.	QUANTITY / SERVICE DATES UNIT	COMMODITY / DESCRIPTION	UNIT COST / PRICE OF SERVICE
1	0.00000	2062372	\$0.000000
			\$0.000000
2	0.00000	SWITCHES, COMPUTER, NETWORK 2046460	\$0.000000
			\$0.00000
3	0.00000	RACKS, FOR NETWORK COMPONENTS 92037	\$0.000000
			\$0.000000
1	0.00000	Networking Services (Including Installation, Security, and M 20437	\$0.00000
			\$0.000000
5	0.00000	Drives, Tape 2043783	\$0.000000
			\$0.00000
5	0.00000	TAPE STORAGE SYSTEM, SEVEN TAPE RANDOM ACCESS 20689	\$0.000000
			\$0.000000
	0.00000	Storage Devices, Electronic (Disk Drive Compatible) 20784	\$0.000000
			\$0.00000
		Storage Devices for Tapes and Diskettes: Containers, Racks,	
3	0.00000	2042482	\$0.000000
			\$0.000000
		CONTROLLERS, TERMINAL SERVER	



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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Incorporation

The Request for Proposal and/or bid documents for this project and the vendor's proposal in response to the RFP or Bid together with any clarifications, attachments, appendices, or amendments of the State or the Vendor are incorporated into this Contract by reference as if fully set forth in this Contract.

Remedies upon Default

In any case where the vendor has failed to deliver or has delivered non-conforming goods and/or services, the State shall provide a cure notice. The notice to cure shall state the maximum length of time the vendor has to cure. If after the time period stated in the notice to cure has passed, the vendor continues to be in default, the State may procure goods and/or services in substitution from another source and charge the difference between the contracted price and the market price to the defaulting vendor. The State's Attorney General shall be requested to make collection from the defaulting vendor.

Force Majeure

Force majeure includes acts of God, war, civil disturbance and any other causes which are beyond the control and anticipation of the party affected and which, by the exercise of reasonable diligence, the party was unable to anticipate or prevent. These provisions of force majeure also apply to subcontractors or suppliers of the Vendor. Force majeure does not include financial difficulties of the Vendor or any associated company of the Vendor, or claims or court orders that restrict the Vendor's ability to deliver the goods or services contemplated by this Agreement. Neither the Vendor nor the State shall be liable to the other for any delay or failure of performance of this Agreement caused by a force majeure, and not as a result of the fault or negligence of a party.

Subcontractors

The successful vendor shall be responsible for all acts and performance of any subcontractor or secondary supplier that the successful vendor may engage for the completion of any contract with the State. A delay that results from a subcontractor's conduct, negligence or failure to perform shall not exempt the vendor from default remedies. The successful vendor shall be responsible for payment to all subcontractors and all other third parties.

Termination-Non-Appropriation

Notwithstanding any other provision of this contract, if funds anticipated for the continued fulfillment of this contract are at any time not forthcoming or insufficient, either through the failure of the State to appropriate funds, discontinuance or material alteration of the program for which funds were provided, then the State shall have the right to terminate this contract without penalty by giving not less than thirty (30) days written notice documenting the lack of funding, discontinuance or program alteration.

Immunity of State/Fed Agencies

The vendor shall defend and hold harmless the State and Federal funding source for the State of Iowa from liability arising from the vendor's performance of this contract and the vendor's activities with subcontracted and all other third parties.

Assignment

Vendors may not assign contracts or purchase orders to any party (including financial institutions) without written permission of the General Services Enterprise - Purchasing.

Anti-Trust Assignment

For good cause and as consideration for executing this purchase order, the vendor, through its duly authorized agent, conveys, sells, assigns, and transfers to the State of Iowa all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may now or hereafter acquire under the anti-trust laws of the United States and the State of Iowa, relating to the particular goods or services purchased or acquired by the State of Iowa pursuant to the using State of Iowa agency.

Delivery and Acceptance

When an award has been made to a vendor and the purchase order issued, deliveries are to be made in the following manner.

- A. Deliveries All deliveries are to be made only to the point specified on the purchase order. If delivery is made to any other point, it shall be the responsibility of the vendor to promptly reship to the correct location. Failure to deliver procured goods on time may result in cancellation of an order or termination of a contract at the option of the State.
- B. Delivery Charges All delivery charges should be to the account of the vendor whenever possible. If not, all delivery charges should be prepaid by vendor and added to the invoice.
- C. Notice of Rejection The nature of any rejections of a shipment, based on apparent deficiencies disclosed by ordinary methods of inspection, will be given by the receiving agency to the vendor and carrier within a reasonable time after delivery of the item, with a copy of this notice to the General Services Enterprise Purchasing. Notice of latent deficiencies which would make items unsatisfactory for the purpose intended may be given by the State of Iowa at any time after acceptance.

Delivery and Acceptance (cont)

- D. Disposition of Rejected item The vendor must remove at the vendor's expense any item rejected by the State. If the vendor fails to remove that rejected item, the State may dispose of the item by offering the same for sale, deduct any accrued expense and remit the balance to the vendor.
- E. Testing After Delivery Laboratory analysis of an item or other means of testing may be required after delivery. In such cases, vendors will be notified in writing that a special test is being made and that payment will be withheld until completion of the testing process.

Title to Goods

The vendor warrants that the goods purchased hereunder are free from all liens, claims or encumbrances.

Indemnification

To the extent that goods are not manufactured in accordance with the State's design, the vendor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State of Iowa, the State's assignees, and other users of the goods from and against any claim of infringement of any Letter Patent, Trade Names, Trademark, Copyright or Trade Secrets by reason of sale or use of any articles purchased hereunder. The State shall promptly notify the vendor of any such claim.

Nondiscrimination

The vendor is subject to and must comply with all federal and state requirements concerning fair employment and will not discriminate between or among them by reason of race, color, religion, sex, national origin or physical handicap.

Warranty

The vendor expressly warrants that all goods supplied shall be merchantable in accordance with the Uniform Commercial Code, Section 2-314 and the Iowa Code, Section 554.2314.

Taxes



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The State of lowa is exempt from the payment of lowa sales tax, motor vehicle fuel tax and any other lowa tax that may be applied to a specified commodity and/or service. Contractors performing construction activities are required to pay state sales tax on the cost of materials. The lowa Department of Revenue exemption letter will be furnished to a vendor upon request.

Hazardous Material

All packaging, transportation, and handling of hazardous materials shall be in accordance with applicable federal and state regulations including, but not limited to, the Material Safety Data Sheet provision of O.S.H.A. Hazard Communication Standard 29CFR 1910.1200, and Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 567.

Public Records

The laws of the State of lowa require procurement records to be made public unless exempted by the Code of lowa.

Miscellaneous

The terms and provisions of this contract shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Iowa. Any and all litigation or actions commenced in connection with this contract shall be brought in Des Moines, Iowa, in Polk County District Court for the State of Iowa. If however, jurisdiction is not proper in Polk County District Court, the action shall only be brought in the United States District Court for the Southern District or Iowa, Central Division, providing that jurisdiction is proper in that forum. This provision shall not be construed as waiving any immunity to suit or liability, which may be available to the State of Iowa.

If any provision of this contract is held to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall be valid and enforceable.

Records Retention

The vendor shall maintain books, records, and documents which sufficiently and properly document and calculate all charges billed to the State of lowa throughout the term of this Agreement for a period of at least five (5) years following the date of final payment or completion of any required audit, whichever is later. The vendor shall at, no charge, permit the Auditor of the State of lowa, or any authorized representative of the State (or where federal funds are involved, the Comptroller General of the United States or any other authorized representative of the United States government) to access and examine, audit, excerpt and transcribe any directly pertinent books, documents, papers, electronic or optically stored and created records, or other records of the vendor relating to orders, invoices, or payments documentation or materials pertaining to this Agreement.

Independent Contractor

The vendor is an independent contractor performing services for the State of Iowa, and as such shall not hold itself out as an employee or agent of the State.

Performance Monitoring

For all service contracts, the requirements of lowa Code sections 8.47 shall be incorporated into final terms and conditions of the contract.

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NET 30 DAYS

PARTICIPATING ADDENDUM

COMPUTER EQUIPMENT, SOFTWARE, PERIPHERALS AND RELATED SERVICES

WSCA / NASPO MASTER PRICE AGREEMENT A63316

XIOtech Corporation

and

State of Iowa

1. Scope

Within the State of Iowa, all state agencies, state facilities, cities, counties or education entities or any entity funded in part with tax dollars, are eligible purchasers and authorized to purchase products and services under the terms of this price agreement.

2. Changes:

- Without affecting the approved product prices or discounts specified in the a) WSCA/NASPO Master Price Agreement, the Contractor shall provide to the State of lowa a 1.00% rebate on all sales made within the State of lowa against this agreement. The rebate is to be paid quarterly to The Iowa Department of Administrative Services, General Services Enterprise - Purchasing, Hoover State Office Building, Level A. Des Moines, IA 50319.
- b) The Contractor shall provide an electronic detailed quarterly report on all sales made against this agreement within the State of Iowa to the State's primary contact below. The report file format shall be Microsoft Excel compatible format. The report at minimum shall include the date of sale, customer name and address, product description, quantity, invoice number, unit and extended invoice prices.
- c) Contractor's stated prices on the Contractor's approved State of Iowa WSCA / NASPO web site shall be discounted using the discounts and price lists approved and agreed to with WSCA/NASPO under the Master Price Agreement. The stated discounts are considered to be the minimum discount offered. Contractor may offer, within written quotes, a higher discount than the approved minimum discount for volume purchases or for competitive reasons.

3. **Primary Contact:**

The primary participating entity contact for this participating addendum is as follows:

Name:

Ashley Super, Purchasing Agent III

Participating Entity:

Iowa Department of Administrative Services

Address:

General Services Enterprise

Hoover State Office Building, Level A

Des Moines, IA 50319

Phone: Fax:

515-281-7073

515-242-5974

E-Mail:

Ashley.Super@iowa.gov

The primary Contractor contact for this participating addendum is as follows:

Name:

Mary Reuss

Contractor:

XIOtech Corporation

Address:

6455 Flying Cloud Drive, Eden Prairie, MN 55344-3305

Telephone:

952.983.2433

Fax:

952.983.2527

E-mail:

mary reuss@xiotech.com



4. Servicing Subcontractors:

All purchase orders shall be sent and payments made directly to the Contractor. Service Subcontractors are not authorized to receive or accept purchase orders or payments.

The Master Price Agreement Number A63316 MUST be shown on all Purchase Orders issued against this Agreement.

This Addendum and the Price Agreement together with its exhibits, set forth the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter of all previous communications, representations or agreements, whether oral or written, with respect to the subject matter hereof. Terms and conditions inconsistent with, contrary or in addition to the terms and conditions of this Addendum and the Price Agreement, together with its exhibits, shall not be added to or incorporated into this Addendum or the Price Agreement and its exhibits, by any subsequent purchase order or otherwise, and any such attempts to add or incorporate such terms and conditions are hereby rejected. The terms and conditions of this Addendum and the Price Agreement and its exhibits shall prevail and govern in the case of any such inconsistent or additional terms.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Addendum as of the last date of execution below.

State of Iowa	XIOtech Corporation
Name: Debbie O'Leary	Name: SHINEN & SayaKK
Title: Administrator, DAS GSE	Title: Go
Signature: Deble Okean	Signature:
Date: 2/8/05	Date: 1 An 31 2005



WESTERN STATES CONTRACTING ALLIANCE

MASTER PRICE AGREEMENT for

COMPUTER EQUIPMENT, SOFTWARE, PERIPHERALS AND RELATED SERVICES

XIOTECH CORPORATION

Number A63316

This Agreement is made and entered into by XIOtech Corporation, 6455 Flying Cloud Drive, Eden Prairie, MN 55344-3305, ("Contractor") and the Department of Administration ("State") on behalf of the State of Minnesota, participating members of the National Association of State Procurement officials (NASPO), members of the Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) and other authorized Participating States and Participating Entities.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the State has the need to purchase and the Contractor desire to sell; and,

WHEREAS, the State has the authority to offer contracts to CPV members of the State of Minnesota and to other states.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

INTENT AND PURPOSE

The intent and purpose of this Agreement is to establish a contractual relationship with equipment manufacturers to provide, warrant, and offer maintenance services on **ALL** products proposed in their response to the RFP issued by the State of Minnesota. The Contractor may use subcontractors to provide the warranty and/or maintenance services; however the Contractor will be responsible for working with the equipment manufacturer on behalf of the Purchasing Entity and for the timeliness and quality of all services provided. No type of Lease transactions are allowed through this Agreement.

The Agreement is **NOT** for the purchase of major, large hardware or hardware and software offerings. In general, individual units/configurations should not exceed \$50,000 each. It is the expressed intent of some of the Participating States to set this level at not to exceed \$25,000 each. This **IS NOT** a restriction on how many units/configurations can be purchased, but on the value of each individual unit/configuration. Individual Participating States and Participating Entities may set specific limits in a participating addendum, with the prior approval of the WSCA Directors.

Contractors may offer, but participating states and entities do not have to accept, limited professional services related **ONLY** to the equipment and configuration of the equipment purchased through the Agreement.

1. Definitions

"Announced Promotional Price" are prices offered nationally to specific categories of customers (Consumer, Business or government) for defined time periods under predefined terms and conditions. "Contract" means an agreement for the procurement of items of tangible personal property or services.

"Contract Administrator" means an individual appointed by the State to administer this Agreement on behalf of the State of Minnesota, the participating NASPO and WSCA members, and other authorized purchasers.

"Contractor" shall mean successful Responder who enters into a binding Master Price Agreement. The Contractor is responsible for all sales, support, warranty, and maintenance services for the Contractor-brand products included in this Agreement, and for ensuring that support, warranty, and maintenance services are provided by Service Subcontractors as required hereunder. The Contractor must manufacture or take direct, non-assignable, legal responsibility for the sale of the equipment according to the terms of the Agreement.

"Consumables" that are required for the operation of Equipment offered or supplied are included printer cartridges, batteries, projector bulbs, etc. Consumables such as magnetic media, paper and

generally available office supplies are excluded.
"CPV Member" is any governmental unit having independent policy making and appropriating authority, that is a member of Minnesota's Cooperative Purchasing Venture (CPV) program. "CPV Program" The Cooperative Purchasing Venture (CPV) program, as established by Minn. Stat. § 16C.03, subd. 10, authorizes the Commissioner of Administration to "enter into a cooperative purchasing agreement for the provision of goods, services, and utilities with [governmental entities] ..., as described in section 471.59, subdivision 1." Based on this authority, the commissioner of Administration, through the Materials Management Division (MMD), enters into a joint powers agreement that designates MMD as the authorized purchasing agent for the governmental entity. It is not legal for governmental entities that are not members of the CPV program to purchase from a State contract. Vendors are free to respond to other solicitations with the same prices they offer under a contract, but that is not considered use of the "State contract price."

"Cumulative Volume Discount" means a contractual, cumulative, permanent volume discount based on dollars resulting from the cumulative purchases by all governmental purchasers for the duration of

the Master Price Agreement.

"Documentation" refers to manuals, handbooks, and other publications listed in the PSS, or supplied with products listed in the PSS, or supplied in connection with services. Documentation may be provided on magnetic media or may be downloaded from the Contractor's web site.

"E-Rate" is a program sponsored by the Federal Communications Commission whereby educational

and other qualifying institutions may purchase authorized technology at reduced prices.

"Educational Discount Price" means the price offered in a nationally announced promotion, which is

limited to educational customers only, as defined by the Contractor.

"Energy Star®" is a voluntary energy efficiency program sponsored by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The Energy Star program makes identification of energy efficient computers easy by labeling products that deliver the same or better performance as comparable models while using less energy and saving money. Energy Star qualified computers and monitors automatically power down to 15 watts or less when not in use and may actually last longer than conventional products because they spend a large portion of time in a low-power sleep mode. For additional information on the Energy Star program, including product specifications and a list of qualifying products, visit the Energy Star website at http://www.energystar.gov.

"Equipment" means workstations, desktop, laptop (includes Tablet PC's), and handheld (PDA) devices, servers, computing hardware, including upgrade components such as memory, storage drives,

and spare parts.

"FCC" means the Federal Communications Commission or successor federal agency. In the event of deregulation, this term applies to one or more state regulatory agencies or other governing bodies charged to perform the same, or similar, role.

"General Price Reduction Price" means the price offered to consumer, business or governmental purchaser at prices lower than PSS pricing. General price reduction prices will be reflected in the PSS

as soon as practical.

"ISO 14001" is the conformance standard within the family of ISO 14000 documents developed by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) in Geneva, Switzerland. Similar in structure to the ISO 9000 quality management system standard, ISO 14001 outlines key requirements companies should comply with in order to operate in an environmentally responsible manner. Utilizing ISO 14001, companies can merge environmental programs into one coherent system to efficiently manage all environmental activities. In short, ISO 14001 provides organizations with a way to demonstrate to their customers that their environmental processes and impact are effectively managed, continually improving, and part of the corporate management system. For more information, please refer to www.iso.org.

"Lead State" means the State conducting this cooperative solicitation and centrally administering any resulting Master Price Agreement(s). For this solicitation, the Lead State is Mnnesota.

"Mandatory" The terms "must" and "shall" identify a mandatory item or factor.

"Manufacturer" means the company that designs, assembles, and markets computer equipment including workstations, desktop computers, laptop (includes Tablet PC's) computers, handheld (PDA) devices, servers, printers, and storage solutions/auxiliary storage devices. The manufacturer's name(s) shall appear on the computer equipment. The Contractor shall provide warranty service and maintenance for equipment covered by this Agreement as well as a Takeback Program.

"Master Price Agreement" means the contract that MMD will approve that contains the foundation terms and conditions for the acquisition of Contractor's products and/or services by Purchasing Entities. The "master price agreement" is a permissive price agreement. In order for a Purchasing Entity to participate in a Master Price Agreement, the appropriate state procurement official or other designated procurement official must be a Participating State or Participating Entity. "Materials Management Division" or "MMD" means the procurement official for the State of

Minnesota or a designated representative.

"NASPO" means the National Association of State Procurement Officials

"Participating Addendum" means a bilateral agreement executed by the Contractor and a Participating State or political subdivision of a State that clarifies the operation of the price agreement for the State or political subdivision concerned, e.g. ordering procedures specific to a State or political subdivision and other specific language or other requirements. Terms and conditions contained in a Participating Addendum shall take precedence over the corresponding terms in the master price agreement. Additional terms and conditions may be added via the Participating Addendum. However, a Participating Addendum may not alter the scope of this Agreement or any other Participating Addendum. Unless otherwise specified, the Participating Addendum shall renew consecutively with the Master Price Agreement. One physically or digitally signed copy of each Participating Addendum shall be filed by the Contractor with the Contract Administrator within five (5) days after execution.

"Participating State" or "Participating Entity" means a member of NASPO (Participating State) or a political subdivision of a NASPO member (Participating Entity) who has indicated its intent to participate by signing an Intent to Participate, or who subsequently signs a Participating Addendum where required, or another state or political subdivision of another state authorized by the WSCA Directors to be a party to the resulting Master Price Agreement through the execution of a participating addendum. "PDA" means a Personal Digital Assistant. Refers to a wide variety of handheld and palm-size PCs, and electronic organizers. PDA's usually can store phone numbers, appointments, and to-do lists. PDA's can have a small keyboard, and/or have only a special pen that is used for input and output. The PDA can also have a wireless fax modem. Files can be created on a PDA which are later entered into a larger computer. NOTE: For this Agreement, all Tablet PC's are NOT considered PDA's. "Peripherals" include but are not limited to storage, printers (including multifunction network print/fax/scanner/copying devises), scanners, monitors, keyboards, cameras (digital and video used in conjunction with computing equipment), projectors, uninterruptible power supplies and accessories. Adaptive/Assistive technology devices are included as well as configurations for education. Peripherals may be manufactured by a third party, however, Contractor shall not offer any peripherals manufactured by another contractor holding a Master Price Agreement without the prior approval of the Contract Administrator.

"Per Transaction Multiple Unit Discount" means a contractual volume discount based on dollars in a single purchase order or combination of purchase orders submitted at one time by a Purchasing Entity or multiple entities conducting a cooperative purchase.

"Political Subdivision" means local pubic governmental subdivisions of a state, as defined by that state's statutes, including instrumentalities and institutions thereof. Political subdivisions include cities, counties, courts, public schools and institutions of higher education.

"Price Agreement" means an indefinite quantity contract that requires the Contractor to furnish

products or services to a Purchasing Entity that issues a valid Purchase Order. "Procurement Manager" means the person or designee authorized by MMD to manage the relationships with WSCA, NASPO, and Participating States/Participating Entities.

"Product(s)" means personal computer equipment, peripherals, LAN hardware Software, and Network Storage devices, but not unrelated services.

"Products and Services Schedule Prices" mean the maximum prices offered to Participating Entities exclusive of Announced Promotional Prices, Education Discount Prices, General Price Reductions, or Large Order Negotiated Prices. All such products and services shall be listed on the Contractor's web site accessible via a URL.

The term "Program" includes any IBM Program, or Non-IBM Program that IBM may provide to the

Purchasing Entity. The term does not include Machine Code, LIC, or Materials. "Purchase Order" means an electronic or paper document issued by the Purchasing Entity that directs the Contractor to deliver Products or Services pursuant to a Price Agreement.

"Purchasing Entity" means a Participating State or another legal entity, such as a political subdivision, properly authorized by a Participating State to enter into a Agreement for the purchase of goods described in this solicitation. Unless otherwise limited by statute, in this solicitation or in a Participating Addendum, political subdivisions of Participating States are Purchasing Entities and authorized to purchase the goods and/or services described in this solicitation.

"Services" are broadly classed as installation/de-installation, maintenance, support, training, migration, and optimization of products offered or supplied under the Master Price Agreement. These types of services may include, but are not limited to: warranty services, maintenance, installation, deinstallation, factory integration (software or equipment components), asset management, recycling/disposal, training and certification, pre-implementation design, disaster recovery planning and support, service desk/help desk, and any other directly related technical support service required for the effective operation of a product offered or supplied. General consulting and all forms of application

development and programming services are excluded.

"Servicing Subcontractor" or "Reseller Agent" or "Subcontractor" means a Contractor authorized and state-approved subcontractor who may provide local marketing support or other authorized services on behalf of the Contractor in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contractor's Master Price Agreement. A wholly owned subsidiary or other company providing warranty or other technical support services qualifies as a Servicing Subcontractor. Local business partners may qualify as Servicing Subcontractors. Servicing Subcontractors may not directly accept Purchase Orders or payments for Products or Services from Purchasing Entities, unless otherwise provided in a Participating Agreement. Servicing Subcontractors shall be named individually or by class in the Participating Addendum. The Contractor actually holding the Master Price Agreement shall be responsible for Servicing Subcontractor's providing warranty service and maintenance for equipment on a Master Price Agreement as well as the Take back Program.

"Standard Configurations" mean deeply discounted standard configurations that are available to Purchasing Entities using the Master Price Agreement only. This specification includes a commitment to maintain and upgrade (keep pace with the advance of technology) the standard configurations for a

stated period of time or intervals.

"State Procurement Official" means the director of the central purchasing authority of a state. "Storage Solution/Auxiliary Storage" means the technology and equipment used for storage of large amounts of data or information. This includes technologies such as: Network Attached Storage (NAS); Storage Area Networks (SAN); Content Addressed Storage (CAS); and/or Clustered Network Storage

(CNS). "Takeback Program" means the Contractor's process for accepting the return of the equipment or

other products at the end of life.

"Trade In" refers to the exchange of used Equipment for new Equipment at a price reduced by the

value of the used Equipment.

"Travel" means expenses incurred by authorized personnel directly related to the performance of a Service. All such expenses shall be documented in a firm quotation for the Purchasing Entity prior to the issuance and acceptance of a Purchase Order. Travel expenses will be reimbursed in accordance with the purchasing entities allowances, if any, as outlined in the PA.

"Universal Resource Locator" or "URL" means a standardized addressing scheme for accessing

hypertext documents and other services using the WWW browser.

"WSCA" means the Western States Contracting Alliance, a cooperative group contracting consortium for state procurement officials, representing departments, institutions, agencies, and political subdivisions (i.e., colleges, school districts, counties, cities, etc.) for the states of Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

2. Scope of Work

The Contractor, or its approved subcontractor, shall accept purchase orders from and deliver Storage Solution/Auxiliary Storage Products and services to Purchasing Entities in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. This Agreement is a "Master Price Agreement". Accordingly, the Contractor shall provide Products or Services only upon the issuance and acceptance by the Contractor of valid "Purchase Orders". Purchase Orders may be issued to purchase the license for software or to purchase products listed on the Contractor's PSS. A Purchasing Entity may purchase any quantity of Product or Service listed in the Contractor's PSS at the prices in accordance the Paragraph 13, Price Guarantees. Subcontractor participation is governed by the individual Participating State procurement official. The Contractor is required to provide warranty and maintenance services on equipment that is purchased. The Contractor shall offer a Takeback Program for all products covered by this Agreement.

3. Title Passage

The Contractor must pass unencumbered title to any and all products purchased under this Agreement upon receipt of the product by the Purchasing Entity. Notwithstanding the foregoing, title may remain subject to a security interest in favor of the Contractor, until full payment has been received from the Participating Entity. This obligation on the part of the Contractor to transfer all ownership rights does not apply to proprietary materials owned or licensed by the Contractor or its subsidiaries, subcontractors or licensor, or to unmodified commercial software that is available to the State on the open market. Ownership rights to such materials shall not be affected in any manner by this Agreement.

4. Permissive Price Agreement and Quantity Guarantee

This Agreement is not an exclusive agreement. Purchasing Entities may obtain computing system Products and services from other sources during the agreement term. The State of Minnesota, NASPO and WSCA make no express or implied warranties whatsoever that any particular number of Purchase Orders will be issued or that any particular quantity or dollar amount of Products or Services will be procured.

5. Order of Precedence

Each Purchase Order that is accepted by the Contractor shall become a part of the Agreement as to the Products and Services listed on the Purchase Order only; no additional terms or conditions conflicting with this Agreement or the Participating Addendum will be added to this Agreement as the result of acceptance of a Purchase Order. The Contractor agrees to accept all valid Purchase Orders. In the event of any conflict among these documents, the following order of precedence shall apply:

A. Executed Participating Addendum(s);

B. Amendment to this Agreement;

C. Terms and conditions of this Agreement;

D. Exhibits to this Agreement;

E. The list of products and services contained in the purchase order;

F. The request for proposals document P-1331 and Addenda thereto; and

G. Contractor's proposal including any written clarifications and/or best and final offer.

6. Payment Provisions

All payments under this Agreement are subject to the following provisions:

A. Acceptance

A Purchasing Entity shall determine whether all Products and Services delivered meet the Contractor's published specifications. No payment shall be made for any Products or Services until the Purchasing Entity has accepted the Products or Services. The Purchasing Entity will make every effort to notify the Contractor within thirty (30) calendar days following delivery of non-acceptance of a product or service. Products will be deemed accepted by the Participating Entity thirty (30) days following acceptance, unless the Contractor has received prior written notice of non-acceptance.

B. Payment of Invoice

- 1. Payments shall be submitted to the Contractor at the address shown on the invoice, as long as the Contractor has exercised due diligence in notifying the State of Minnesota and/or the Purchasing Entity of any changes to that address. Payments shall be made within thirty (30) days of the invoice date, unless otherwise required by the applicable laws of the Purchasing Entity. After the applicable due date, interest may be paid on the unpaid balance due to the Contractor at the rate of one and one-half percent per month, or the maximum rate permitted by applicable law, whichever is less.
- 2. For Minnesota, per Minn. Stat. § 16A.124, payment of undisputed amounts shall be made to the Contractor within thirty (30) days following receipt of an undisputed invoice, merchandise or service whichever is later. After the thirtieth day, interest may be paid on the unpaid balance due to the Contractor at the rate of one and one-half percent per month. The Purchasing Entity shall make a good-faith effort to pay within thirty (30) days on all undisputed invoiced amounts. Payments may be made via a Purchasing Entity's "Purchasing Card".
- 3. In the event an order is shipped incomplete (partial), the Purchasing Entity shall pay for each shipment as invoiced by the Contractor unless the Purchasing Entity has clearly specified "No Partial Shipments" on each Purchase Order.

C. Payment of Taxes

Payment of taxes for any money received under this agreement shall be the Contractor's sole responsibility and shall be reported under the Contractor's federal and state tax identification numbers. If a Purchasing Entity is not exempt from sales, gross receipts, or local option taxes for the transaction, the Contractor shall be reimbursed by the Purchasing Entity to the extent of any tax liability assessed.

The State of Minnesota State agencies are subject to paying Minnesota sales and use taxes. Taxes for State agencies will be paid directly to the Department of Revenue using Direct Pay Permit #1114.

D. Invoices

Invoices shall be submitted to the Purchasing Entity at the address shown on the Purchase Order. Contractor shall provide a commercial invoice. The Contractor shall also provide a packing slip/list for each system to identify the components included within the configuration. Invoices shall match the line items on the Purchase Order.

7. Agreement Term

Pursuant to Minnesota law, the term of this Agreement shall be effective upon the date of final execution by the State of Minnesota or on September 1, 2004, whichever is later, through August 31, 2007 (3 years). The Agreement may be mutually renewed for two (2) additional one-year terms unless terminated pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

8. Termination

The following provisions are applicable in the event that the agreement is terminated.

A. Termination for Convenience

At any time, the State may terminate this agreement, in whole or in part, by giving the Contractor (30) days written notice; provided, however, neither the State nor a Purchasing Entity has the right to terminate a specific purchase order for convenience after it has been issued if the product is ultimately accepted. At any time, the Contractor may terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part, by giving the Contract Administrator sixty (60) days written notice. Such termination shall not relieve the Contractor of warranty or other Service obligations incurred under the terms of this Agreement. In the event of a cancellation, the Contractor shall be entitled to payment, determined on a pro rata basis, for work or services satisfactorily performed and accepted.

B. Termination for Cause

Either party may terminate this Agreement for cause based upon material breach of this Agreement by the other party, provided that the non-breaching party shall give the breaching party written notice specifying the breach and shall afford the breaching party a reasonable opportunity to correct the breach. If within thirty (30) days after receipt of a written notice the breaching party has not corrected the breach or, in the case of a breach that cannot be corrected in thirty (30) days, begun and proceeded in good faith to correct the breach, the non-breaching party may declare the breaching party in default and terminate the Agreement effective immediately. The non-breaching party shall retain any and all other remedies available to it under the law.

C. A Purchasing Entity's Rights

In the event this Agreement expires or is terminated for any reason, a Purchasing Entity shall retain its rights in all Products and services accepted prior to the effective termination date.

D. The Contractor's Rights

In the event this Agreement expires or is terminated for any reason, a Purchasing Entity shall pay the Contractor all amounts due for Products and services ordered and accepted prior to the effective termination date or ordered before the effective termination date and ultimately accepted.

9. Non-Appropriation

The terms of this Agreement and any purchase order issued for multiple years under this Agreement is contingent upon sufficient appropriations being made by the Legislature or other appropriate governing entity. Notwithstanding any language to the contrary in this Agreement or in any purchase order or other document, a Purchasing Entity may terminate its obligations under this Agreement, if sufficient appropriations are not made by the governing entity at a level sufficient to allow for payment of the goods or services due for multiple year agreements, or if operations of the paying entity are being discontinued. The Purchasing Entity's decision as to whether sufficient appropriations are available shall be accepted by the Contractor and shall be final and binding.

A Purchasing Entity shall provide sixty (60) days notice, if possible, of its intent to terminate for reason cited above. Such termination shall relieve the Purchasing Entity, its officers and employees from any responsibility or liability for the payment of any further amounts under the relevant Purchase Order.

10. Shipment and Risk of Loss

- A. All deliveries shall be F.O.B. destination, prepaid and allowed, with all transportation and handling charges included in the price of the product and paid by the Contractor. Responsibility and liability for loss or damage shall remain with the Contractor until delivery to the identified ship to address when responsibility and liability for loss shall pass to the Purchasing Entity except as to latent defects, fraud and Contractor's warranty obligations.
- B. Whenever a Purchasing Entity does not accept Products and returns them to the Contractor, all related documentation furnished by the Contractor shall be returned also. Unless otherwise agreed upon by the Purchasing Entity, the Contractor is responsible for the pick-up of returned Products. The Contractor shall bear all risk of loss or damage with respect to returned Products except for loss or damage directly attributable to the negligence or wrongful intentional act or omission of the Purchasing Entity.
- C. Unless otherwise arranged between the Purchasing Entity and Contractor, all shipments of Products should be shipped within three-to-five days by a reliable and insured shipping company.

11. Warranties

A. The Contractor agrees to warrant and assume responsibility for each Product that it licenses or sells to the Purchasing Entity under this Agreement in accordance with the Contractor's standard warranties. The Contractor acknowledges that the Uniform Commercial Code applies to this Agreement. In general, the Contractor warrants that:

1. The Product will conform with the specific technical information about the Contractor's products which is published in the Contractor's product manuals or data sheets. 2.

The Product will be suitable for the ordinary purposes and in the application for which

such Product is intended by the Contractor.

3. The Product will meet any mandatory specifications provided in writing to the Contractor prior to reliance by the Participating Entity on the Contractor's skill or judgment when it advised the Purchasing Entity about the Product's ability to meet those mandatory specifications.

4. The Product has been properly designed and manufactured for its intended use, in the

application for which it is intended by the Contractor.

5. The Product is free of significant defects in material and workmanship, or unusual

problems about which the Purchasing Entity has not been warned.

6. Exhibit A contains additional warranties in effect as of the date of this Agreement. The warranties will be limited in duration to the time period(s) provided in Exhibit A. The warranties will not apply to use of a Product other than as anticipated and intended by the Contractor, to a problem arising after changes or modifications to the Products or operating system by any party other than the Contractor (unless expressly authorized in writing by the Contractor), or to use of a Product in conjunction or combination with other products or software not authorized by the Contractor. The following is a list of the warranties attached as Exhibit A:

Manufacturer's Standard Limited Warranty (XIOtech-brand hardware)

Software Limited Warranty (XIOtech licensed software)

Support Services Warranty (XIOtech-provided services)

- B. Contractor may modify the warranties described in Exhibit A from time to time with 30 days prior written approval of the Contract Administrator.
- C. Warranty documents for Products manufactured by a third party shall be delivered to the Purchasing Entity with the Products, as provided by the Manufacturer.

12. Patent, Copyright, Trademark and Trade Secret Indemnification

The Contractor shall defend, at its own expense, the State of Minnesota, Participating States, Participating Entities, Purchasing Entities against any claim that any Product or Service provided under this Agreement infringes any patent, copyright or trademark in the United States or Puerto Rico, and shall pay all costs, damages and attomeys' fees that a court finally awards as a result of any such claim. In addition, if any third party obtains a judgment against a Purchasing Entity based upon the Contractor's trade secret infringement relating to any Product or Service provided under this Agreement, the Contractor agrees to reimburse the Purchasing Entity for all costs, attomeys' fees and the amount of the judgment. To qualify for such defense and/or payment, the Lead State or Participating or Purchasing Entity shall:

Give the Contractor prompt written notice of any claim; 1.

2. Allow the Contractor to control the defense or settlement of the claim; and

- 3. Cooperate with the Contractor in a reasonable way to facilitate the defense or settlement of the claim.
- В. If any Products or Service becomes, or in the Contractor's opinion is likely to become the subject of a claim of infringement, the Contractor shall at its option and expense: 1. Provide a Purchasing Entity the right to continue using the Products or Services;

Replace or modify the Products or Services so that it becomes non-infringing; or

3. Accept the return of the Products or Service and refund an amount equal to the depreciated value of the returned Products or Service, less the unpaid portion of the purchase price and any other amounts, which are due to the Contractor. The Contractor's obligation will be void as to any Products or Services modified by the Purchasing Entity to the extent such modification is the cause of the claim.

C. The Contractor has no obligation for any claim of infringement arising from:

The Contractor's compliance with the Purchasing Entity's or by a third party on the Purchasing Entity's behalf designs, specifications, or instructions;

2. The Contractor's use of technical information or technology provided by the Purchasing

3. Product modifications by the Purchasing Entity or a third party:

4. Product use prohibited by Specifications or related application notes; or 5.

Product use with products that are not the Contractor branded.

13. **Price Guarantees**

The Purchasing Entities shall pay the lower of the prices contained in the PSS or an Announced Promotion Price, Educational Discount Price, General Price Reduction price, Trade-In price, Per Transaction Multiple Unit Discount Print, or Standard Configuration Price . Only the General Price Reduction price decreases will apply to all subsequent Purchase Orders accepted by Contractor after the date of the issuance of the General Price Reduction prices.

The initial Cumulative, Per Transaction Multiple Unit, and Standard Configurations Discounts shall be submitted to the Contract Administrator in a format agreeable to both parties prior to signing the Agreement. Once a cumulative volume has been reached, the increased price discount will apply to all future orders, until the next level of cumulative volume is reached.

14. **Product and Service Schedule**

The Contractor agrees to maintain the PSS in accordance with the following provisions:

- The PSS prices for Products and services will conform to the guaranteed price discount levels on file with the Contract Administrator for the following Products: Band 4: Storage Solutions
- В. The Contractor may change the price of any Product or Service at any time, based upon documented baseline price changes, but the guaranteed price discount levels shall remain unchanged during the agreed period unless or until prior approval is obtained from the Contract Administrator. The Contractor agrees that the PSS on the State's administration website shall contain a single, uniform WSCA price for configurations and items. Failure to comply with this requirements will be grounds for further action to be taken against the Contractor.
- C. The Contractor may make model changes; add new Products, and Product upgrades or Services to the PSS in accordance with Item 15. Product Substitutions, below. The pricing for these changes shall incorporate, to the extent possible, comparable price discount levels approved by the Contract Administrator for similar Products or Services.
- The Contractor agrees to delete obsolete and discontinued Products from the PSS on a timely D. basis.
- E. The Contractor shall maintain the PSS on a Contractor supplied Internet web site.

15. **Product Substitutions**

Substitution of units/configurations

MMD and the WSCA Directors acknowledge that individual units and configurations may stop being produced during the life of the resulting Agreements. Substitution of different units and configurations will be permitted with the prior written approval of the Contract Administrator. This substitution is at the sole discretion of the Contract Administrator, subject only to review and approval of the Contract Administrator.

B. Addition of units/configurations

MMD and the WSCA Directors acknowledge that with the evolution of technology, new, emerging units and configurations will develop. Addition of these new, emerging units to the PSS may be permitted, with the prior approval of the Contract Administrator and the WSCA Directors. The addition of new, emerging units and configurations is at the sole discretion of the Contract Administrator, subject only to review and approval of the WSCA Directors.

16. Technical Support

The Contractor agrees to maintain a toll-free technical support telephone line. The line shall be accessible to Purchasing Entity personnel who wish to obtain competent technical assistance regarding the hardware and software installation or operation of Contractor-supplied Products during the product warranty period or during a support agreement.

17. Take back/Environment/Energy Efficiency Programs

The Contractor agrees to maintain for the term of this Agreement, and all renewals/extensions thereof, programs as described in their response to the RFP, including but not limited to:

Take back/Recycling of CPUs, servers, monitors, flat panel displays, notebook computers, and

printers. Costs are listed on the web site.

B. Environment: Compliance with applicable law, which may from time to time include the European Unions' Directives, or other international directives; reduction/minimization/avoidance of the use of toxic and hazardous constituents; certification by independent third party ecolabeling programs (TCO, Blue Angel, and Nordic Swan); ISO 14001 certification; and/or the use of recyclable, nontoxic packaging.

C. Energy Efficiency: When commercially reasonable, Products will meet the Energy Star or other

recognized programs for energy efficiency.

D. Product labeling of compliance with Items B & C above, as well as identification of such information on the web site.

The Contractor will notify the Contract Administrator, in writing, of any additions/changes/deletions to the above programs.

18. Product Delivery

Contractor agrees to deliver Products to Purchasing Entities within 30 days after acceptance of a valid Purchase Order, or in accordance with the schedule agreed to between the Purchasing Entity and the Contractor.

19. Force Majeure

Neither party hereto shall be considered in default in the performance of its obligations hereunder to the extent that performance of any such obligations is prevented or delayed by acts of God, war, strike, riot, industry-wide constraints, or other catastrophes beyond the reasonable control of the party unless the act or occurrence could have been reasonably foreseen and reasonable action could have been taken to prevent the delay or failure to perform. A party defaulting under this provision must provide the other party prompt written notice of the default and take all necessary steps to bring about performance as soon as practicable.

20. Records and Audit

Per Minn. Stat. § 16C.05, Subd. 5, the books, records, documents, and accounting procedures and practices of the Contractor and its employees, agents, or subcontractors relevant to the Minnesota transactions must be made available and subject to examination by the contracting agency or its agents, the Legislative Auditor and/or the State Auditor for a minimum of six years after the end of the Contract or transaction.

Unless otherwise required by other than Minnesota Purchasing Entity governing law, such records relevant to other Purchasing Entity transactions shall be subject to examination by appropriate government authorities for a period of three years from the date of acceptance of the Purchase Order.

21. Independent Contractor

The Contractor and its agents and employees are independent contractors and are not employees of the State of Minnesota or of any participating entity. The Contractor has no authorization, express or implied to bind the Lead State, NASPO, WSCA or any Participating Entity to any agreements, settlements, liability or understanding with other third parties whatsoever, and agrees not to perform any acts as agent for the Lead State, NASPO, WSCA, or Participating Entity, except as expressly set

forth herein. The Contractor and its agents and employees shall not accrue leave, retirement, insurance, bonding, use of state vehicles, or any other benefits afforded to employees of the Lead State or Participating Entity as a result of this Agreement.

22. Use of Servicing Subcontractors

The Contractor may subcontract services and purchase order fulfillment and/or support in accordance with the following paragraphs. However, the Contractor shall remain solely responsible for the performance of this Agreement. Nothing in this provision or this Agreement shall be in any way construed as preventing the Contractor from seeking reimbursement, contribution or other satisfaction in law or in equity from any Servicing Subcontractor or other third party.

A. Reseller/Agent, Service Provider or Servicing Subcontractors shall be identified individually or by class in the applicable Participating Addendum, or as noted in the Participating Addendum on the Purchasing Entities extranet site. The ordering and payment process for Products or Services shall be defined in the Participating Addendum.

23. Payments to Subcontractors

In the event the Contractor hires subcontractors to perform all or some of the duties of this Agreement, the Contractor understands that Minn. Stat. § 16A.1245 requires that any such subcontractor be paid within ten (10) days of the Contractor's receipt of payment from the State for undisputed services provided by the subcontractor. The Contractor agrees to take all steps necessary to comply with said statute. A consultant is a subcontractor under this Agreement. In the event the Contractor fails to make timely payments to a subcontractor, the State may, at its sole option and discretion, pay a subcontractor any amounts due from the Contractor for work performed under this Agreement and deduct said payment from any remaining amounts due the Contractor. Before any such payment is made to a subcontractor, the State shall provide the Contractor written notice that payment will be made directly to a subcontractor. The Contractor shall ensure that the subcontractor transfers all intellectual or industrial property rights, including but not limited to any copyright it may have in the work performed under this Agreement, consistent with the intellectual property rights and ownership sections of this Agreement. In the event the Contractor does not obtain the intellectual property rights of the subcontractor consistent with the transfer of rights under this Agreement, the State may acquire such rights directly from the subcontractor. Any and all costs associated with such a direct transfer may be deducted from any amount due the Contractor.

24. Indemnification

The Contractor shall hold the Lead State, Participating Entities and its agencies and employees harmless and shall indemnify the Lead State, Participating Entities and its agencies and employees against any and all claims, suits, actions, liabilities and costs of any kind, including attorney's fees for personal injury or damage to real property or tangible personal property arising from the negligent or willful and wrongful acts or omissions of the contractor, its agents, officers, employees or subcontractors. Contractor shall not be liable for damages that are the result of negligence or willful misconduct by the Lead State, Participating Entity, or its employees.

25. Amendments

Agreement amendments shall be negotiated by the State with the Contractor whenever necessary to address changes in the terms and conditions, costs, timetable, or increased or decreased scope of work. This Agreement shall be amended only by written instrument executed by the parties. An approved Agreement amendment means one approved by the authorized signatories of the Contractor and the State as required by law.

26. Scope of Agreement

This Agreement incorporates all of the agreements of the parties concerning the subject matter of this Agreement. No prior agreements, verbal or otherwise, of the parties or their agents shall be valid or enforceable unless embodied in this Agreement.

27. Severability

If any provision of this Agreement, including items incorporated by reference, is found to be illegal, unenforceable, or void, by a court of competent jurisdiction then both the State and the Contractor shall be relieved of all obligations arising under such provision. If the remainder of this Agreement is legally valid, it shall not be affected by such declaration or finding and shall be fully performed.

28. Enforcement of Agreement/Waivers

- A. No covenant, condition, duty, obligation, or undertaking contained in or made a part of this Agreement shall be waived except by the written consent of the parties. Forbearance or indulgence in any form or manner by either party in any regard whatsoever shall not constitute a waiver of the covenant, condition, duty, obligation, or undertaking to be kept, performed, or discharged by the other party. Until complete performance or satisfaction of all such covenants, conditions, duties, obligations, and undertakings, the forebearing/indulging party shall have the right to invoke any remedy available under law or equity, notwithstanding any such forbearance or indulgence.
- B. Waiver of any breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of any prior or subsequent breach. No term or condition of this Agreement shall be held to be waived, modified, or deleted except by an instrument, in writing, signed by the parties hereto.
- C. Neither party's failure to exercise any of its rights under this Agreement will constitute or be deemed a waiver or forfeiture of those rights.

29. Web Site Maintenance

- A. The Contractor agrees to maintain and support an Internet website linked to the State's administration website for access to the PSS, service selection assistance, problem resolution assistance, billing concerns, configuration assistance, Product descriptions, Product specifications and other aids in accordance with reasonable instructions provided by the Contract Administrator. The Contractor agrees that the PSS on the State's administration website shall contain a single, uniform WSCA price for configurations and items. Failure to comply with this requirements will be grounds for further action to be taken against the Contractor.
- B. The Contractor agrees to maintain and support Participating State and Entity Internet website for access to the specific Participating Entity PSS, as well as all other items listed in Item 29.A. listed above. The website shall have the ability to hold quotes for 45 days, as well as the ability to change the quote.
- C. The Contractor may provide electronic commerce assistance for the electronic submission of Purchase Orders, purchase order tracking and reporting.

30. Equal Opportunity Compliance

The Contractor agrees to abide by federal laws and the laws, regulations, and executive orders of the state in which it's primary place of business is located pertaining to equal employment opportunity. In accordance with such laws, regulations, and executive orders, the Contractor agrees that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, veteran status or handicap, be excluded from employment with or participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity performed by the contractor under this Agreement. If the Contractor is found to be not in compliance with these requirements during the life of this Agreement, the Contractor agrees to take appropriate steps to correct these deficiencies.

The Contractor certifies that it will remain in compliance with Minn. Stat. § 363.073 during the life of the Agreement.

31. Limitation of Liability

The Contractor's liability to a Purchasing Entity for any cause whatsoever shall be limited to the purchase price paid to the Contractor for the products and services that are the subject of the Purchasing Entity's claim. The foregoing limitation does not apply to Paragraphs 12 and 24 of this Agreement or to damages resulting from personal injury caused by the Contractor's negligence. In no event shall the Contractor be liable for any indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages arising out of this Agreement or the use of the Products or Services purchased by the Purchasing Entity hereunder.

32. Governing Law

This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the Lead State. The construction and effect of any Participating Addendum or order against this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Purchasing Entity's state. Venue for any claim, dispute or action concerning the construction and effect of the Agreement shall be in the Lead State. Venue for any claim, dispute or action concerning an order placed against this Agreement or the effect of a Participating Addendum or shall be in the Purchasing Entity's state.

33. Change in Contractor Representatives

Contractor shall appoint a primary representative to work with the Contract Administrator to maintain, support and market this Agreement. The Contractor shall notify the Contract Administrator of changes in any Contractor key personnel, in writing, and in advance, if possible. The State reserves the right to require a change in Contractor's then-current primary representative if the assigned representative is not, in the opinion of the State, adequately serving the needs of the Lead State and the Participating Entities.

34. Release

The Contractor, upon final payment of the amount due under this Agreement, releases the Lead State and Participating Entities, its officers and employees, from all contractual liabilities, claims and obligations whatsoever arising from or under this Agreement, except as expressly provided in Paragraph 41. Survival, below. The Contractor agrees not to purport to bind the Lead State or any Participating Entity to any obligation, unless the Contractor has express written authority to do so, and then only within the strict limits of the authority.

35. Data Practices

- A. The Contractor and the State must comply with the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Minn. Stat. Ch. 13, as it applies to all data provided by the State to the Contractor and all data provided to the State by the Contractor. In addition, the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act applies to all data created, collected, received, stored, used, maintained, or disseminated by the Contractor in accordance with this Agreement that is private, nonpublic, protected nonpublic, or confidential as defined by the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Ch. 13.
- B. In the event the Contractor receives a request to release the data referred to in this article, the Contractor must immediately notify the State. The State will give the Contractor instructions concerning the release of the data to the requesting party before the data is released. The civil remedies of Minn. Stat. § 13.08, apply to the release of the data referred to in this article by either the Contractor or the State.
- C. The Contractor agrees to indemnify, save, and hold the State, its agents and employees, harmless from all claims arising out of, resulting from, or in any manner attributable to any violation of any provision of the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, including legal fees and disbursements paid or incurred to enforce this provision of the Agreement. In the event that the Contractor subcontracts any or all of the work to be performed under the Agreement, the Contractor shall retain responsibility under the terms of this paragraph for such work.
- D. The Contractor agrees to be bound by the data practices requirements as outlined in the Participating Addendum of a Participating State or Participating Entity.

36. Organizational Conflicts of Interest

A. The Contractor warrants that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, and except as otherwise disclosed, there are no relevant facts or circumstances which could give rise to organizational conflicts of interest. An organizational conflict of interest exists when, because of existing or planned activities or because of relationships with other persons:

 a Contractor is unable or potentially unable to render impartial assistance or advice to the State;

the Contractor's objectivity in performing the work is or might be otherwise impaired; or

• the Contractor has an unfair competitive advantage.

B. The Contractor agrees that if an organizational conflict of interest is discovered after award, an immediate and full disclosure in writing shall be made to the Assistant Director of the Department of Administration's Materials Management Division that shall include a description of the action the Contractor has taken or proposes to take to avoid or mitigate such conflicts. If an organizational conflict of interest is determined to exist, the State may, at its discretion, cancel the Agreement. In the event the Contractor was aware of an organizational conflict of interest prior to the award of the Agreement and did not disclose the conflict to the Contract Administrator, the State may terminate the Agreement for default. The provisions of this clause shall be included in all subcontracts for work to be performed, and the terms "Agreement," "Contractor," and "Contract Administrator" modified appropriately to preserve the State's rights.

37. Replacement Parts

Unless otherwise restricted in a Participating Addendum or maintenance service agreement, replacement parts may be refurbished.

38. FCC Certification

The Contractor agrees that Equipment supplied by the Contractor meets all applicable FCC Certifications. Improper, falsely claimed or expired FCC certifications are grounds for termination of this Agreement for cause.

39. Site Preparation

A Purchasing Entity shall prepare and maintain its site in accordance with written instructions furnished by the Contractor prior to the scheduled delivery date of any Products and Services and shall bear the costs associated with the site preparation.

40. Assignment

The Contractor shall not sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of this Agreement or any portion hereof or of any right, title, or interest herein without the prior written consent of the State's authorized agent. This Agreement is a manufactured-direct solicitation and Agreement. Assignment to an entity that is not a manufacturer, as defined in this Agreement, is **NOT** within the Scope of this Agreement. Such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Contractor shall give written notice to the State's authorized agent of such a possibility at least 30 days prior to the sale, transfer, assignment, or other disposition of this Agreement. Failure to do so may result in the Contractor being held in default. This consent requirement includes reassignment of this Agreement due to a change in ownership, merger, or acquisition of the Contractor or its subsidiary or affiliated corporations. This section shall not be construed as prohibiting the Contractor's right to assign this Agreement to corporations to provide some of the services hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing acknowledgment, the Contractor shall remain solely liable for all performance required and provided under the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The Contractor may assign payments in accordance with specific provisions stated in a Participating Addendum.

41. Survival

Certain paragraphs of this agreement including but not limited to Patent, Copyright, Trademark, and Trade Secret Indemnification; Indemnification; Limitation of Liability; Governing Law; Audits; and Publicity shall survive the expiration of this agreement. Software licenses, warranty and service agreements that were entered into under the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall survive this Agreement.

42. Succession

This Agreement shall be entered into and be binding upon the successors and assigns of the parties.

43. Notification

If one party is required to give notice to the other under the Agreement, such notice shall be in writing and shall be effective upon receipt. Delivery through the US Postal service shall be deemed as delivered three business days after being mailed. Delivery may be by certified United States mail, or by hand, in which case a signed receipt shall be obtained. A facsimile transmission shall constitute sufficient notice, provided the receipt of the transmission is confirmed by the receiving party. All notices shall be addressed as follows:

To MMD:

Department of Administration Materials Management Division Bernadette Kopischke, CPPB **Acquisition Management Specialist** 50 Sherburne Avenue 112 State Administration Building St. Paul, MN 55155 Fax: 651.297.3996

Email: bemie.kopischke@state.mn.us

To Contractor:

Attn: Corporate Legal Counsel XIOtech Corporation 6455 Flying Cloud Drive Eden Prairie, MN 55344-3305 Fax: 952.983.2269

Email: boyd_johnson@xiotech.com Cc: mary_reuss@xiotech.com

Either party may change its representative or address above by written notice to the other in B. accordance with the terms of this Paragraph 43. The carrier for mail delivery and notices shall be the agent of the sender.

44. Reporting and Fees

Administration Reporting and Fees

1. The Contractor agrees to provide periodic utilization reports to the Contract Administrator in accordance with the following schedule:

> Period End Report Due June 30 July 31 September 30 October 30 December 31 January 31 March 31 April 30

The periodic report shall include, but not be limited to the net gross sales minus returns, 2. credits, and deductions) sales for the period subtotaled by Purchasing Entity name, within the Purchasing Entity's state name. A standard format of data elements shall be developed for the report. The Contractor shall submit a check payable to Western States Contracting Alliance for an amount equal to one-twentieth of one percent (0.0005) of the net sales for the period.

- 3. The Contractor agrees to include all Reseller Agent sales in the periodic utilization reports described above. In addition, the Contractor agrees to include in the utilization report a Reseller Agent utilization report of the net sales for the period subtotaled by Purchasing Entity name, within Purchasing Entity state name by Reseller Agent Name.
- 4. The Contractor agrees to provide with the quarterly utilization report a supplemental report of the credits associated with the units taken back in a format to be mutually agreed to.
- 5. The utilization reports shall be submitted to the Contract Administrator via electronic mail in a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet format, or other methods such as direct access to Internet or other databases.
- 6. If requested by the Contract Administrator, the Contractor agrees to provide supporting Purchase Order detail records on a mutually agreed magnetic media in a mutually agreed format. Such requests shall not exceed twelve per year.
- 7. The failure to file the utilization reports and fees on a timely basis shall constitute grounds for the removal of the Contractor's primary representative, suspension of this Agreement or termination of this Agreement for cause.
- 8. The Contract Administrator shall be allowed access to all reports from all Purchasing Entities.

B. Participating Entity Reports and Fees

- 1. Participating Entities may require an additional fee be paid directly to the State on purchases made by Purchasing Entities within that State. For all such requests, the fee level, payment method and schedule for such reports and payments shall be incorporated in a Participating Addendum that is made a part of this Agreement. The Contractor may adjust PSS pricing accordingly for purchases made by Purchasing Entities within the jurisdiction of that State. All such agreements shall have no effect whatsoever on the WSCA fee or the prices paid by the Purchasing Entities outside the jurisdiction of the State requesting the additional fee.
- The Contractor agrees to provide additional reports to Purchasing Entities upon agreement by both parties as to the content and delivery method of the report. Methods of delivery may include direct access to Internet or other databases.
- 3. Each State Purchasing Entity shall be allowed access to reports from all entities within that State.

45. Default and Remedies

- A. Any of the following shall constitute cause to declare this Agreement or any order under this Agreement in default:
 - Consistent nonperformance of contractual requirements; or
 - A material breach of any term or condition of this Agreement.
- B. A written notice of default, and an opportunity to cure within 30-days notification of the written notice, shall be issued by the party claiming default, whether the Lead State (in the case of breach of the entire Agreement), a Participating Entity (in the case of a breach of the participating addendum), the Purchasing Entity (with respect to any order), or the Contractor. Time allowed for cure shall not diminish or eliminate any liability for liquidated or other damages.
- C. If the default remains after the opportunity for cure, the non-defaulting party may:

 1. Exercise any remedy provided by law or equity;

2. Terminate the Agreement, a Participating Addendum, or any portion thereof, including any Purchase Orders issued against the Agreement;

3. Impose liquidated damages as mutually agreed by the parties, as specified in an

Amendment to a Participating Addendum;

4. In the case of default by the Contractor, and to the extent permitted by the law of the Participating State or Purchasing Entity, suspend Contractor from receiving future solicitations from within the Participating Entity's jurisdiction.

46. Audits

A. The Contractor agrees to assist the Contract Administrator or designee with web site Product

and pricing audits based on mutually acceptable procedures.

1. The product audit will closely monitor the products and services listed on the website to insure they comply with the approved products and services. The addition of products or services not approved by the Contract Administrator will not be tolerated and may be considered a material breach of this Agreement.

B. Upon request, the Contractor agrees to assist Participating Entities with invoice audits to ensure that the Contractor is complying with this Agreement in accordance with mutually agreed procedures set forth in the Participating Addendum.

47. Extensions

If specifically authorized by provision in a Participating Addendum, the Contractor may, at the sole discretion of the Contractor and in compliance with the laws of the Participating State, offer Products and services to non-profit organizations, private schools, Native American governmental entities, government employees and students within the governmental jurisdiction of the entity completing the Participating Addendum with the understanding that the State has no liability whatsoever concerning payment for products or services.

48. Sovereign Immunity

The State does not waive its sovereign immunity by entering into this Agreement and fully retains all immunities and defenses provided by law with regard to any action based on this Agreement.

49. Ownership

- A. Ownership of Documents/Copyright. Any custom products (reports, studies, photographs, negatives, databases, computer programs, or other documents), whether in tangible or electronic forms, prepared by the Contractor in the performance of its obligations under the Agreement and paid for by the State shall be the exclusive property of the State and all such material shall be remitted to the State by the Contractor upon completion, termination or cancellation of the Agreement. The Contractor shall not use, willingly allow or cause to allow such material to be used for any purpose other than performance of the Contractor's obligations under the Agreement without the prior written consent of the State. Nothing herein shall preclude the Contractor from otherwise using the related or underlying general knowledge, skills, ideas, concepts, techniques, and experience developed under a project definition/work order in the course of the Contractor's business.
- B. Rights, Title and Interest. All rights, title, and interest in all of the intellectual property rights, including copyrights, patents, trade secrets, trade marks, and service marks in the said custom products that the Contractor conceives or originates, either individually or jointly with others, which arise out of the performance of the Agreement and are ordered as a work product, will be the property of the State and are, by the Agreement, assigned to the State along with ownership of any and all copyrights in the copyrightable customized material. The Contractor also agrees, upon the reasonable request of the State, to execute all papers and perform all other acts necessary to assist the State to obtain and register copyrights on such materials. Where applicable, customized works of authorship created by the Contractor for the State in performance of the Agreement shall be considered "works for hire" as defined in the U.S. Copyright Act. Nothing in this Agreement or in any Participating Addendum shall be construed as transferring to the State or any Participating Entity any right, title, or interest in any of the

Contractor's or their third party's confidential information, trademarks, copyrights, intellectual property or other proprietary interest. To the extent any such right, title or interest of Contractor is included in any custom product, Contractor agrees to grant a non-exclusive ownership and title to such products. In no event may the State or any Participating Entity distribute, copy, resell, reproduce, modify, reverse engineer, de-compile or disassemble any Product or software, unless expressly agreed otherwise in writing by the Contractor. In no event will any party be entitled to receive any source code(s) from the Contractor.

50. Prohibition Against Gratuities

- A. The State may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under this Agreement if it is found by the State that gratuities in the form of entertainment, gifts, or otherwise were offered or given by the Contractor or any employee, agent, or representative of the Contractor to any officer or employee of the State with a view toward securing this Agreement, or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award or amendment of this Agreement, or the making of any determinations with respect to the performance of this Agreement.
- B. The Contractor certifies that no elected or appointed official or employee of the State has benefitted or will benefit financially or materially from this Agreement. This Agreement may be terminated by the State if it is determined that gratuities of any kind were either offered to or received by any of the aforementioned individuals from the Contractor, its agent, or its employees.

51. Antitrust

The Contractor hereby assigns to the State any and all claims for overcharges as to goods and/or services provided in connection with this Agreement resulting from antitrust violations which arise under antitrust laws of the United States and the antitrust laws of the State.

52. Right to Publish

- A. Any publicity given to the program, publications or services provided resulting from the Agreement, including but not limited to notices, informational pamphlets, press releases, research, reports, signs, and similar public notices prepared by or for the Contractor, or its employees individually or jointly with others, or any subcontractors or resellers shall identify the State as the sponsoring agency and shall not be released, unless such release is a specific part of an approved work plan included in the Agreement prior to its approval by the Contract Administrator.
- B. The Contractor shall not make any representations of the State's opinion or position as to the quality or effectiveness of the products and/or services that are the subject of this Agreement without the prior written consent of the Agreement Administrator. Representations include any publicity, including but not limited to advertisements, notices, press releases, reports, signs, and similar public notices.

53. Performance While Dispute is Pending

Notwithstanding the existence of a dispute, the parties shall continue without delay to carry out all of their responsibilities under this Agreement that are not affected by the dispute. If a party fails to continue without delay to perform its responsibilities under this Agreement, in the accomplishment of all undisputed work, any additional cost incurred by the other parties as a result of such failure to proceed shall be borne by the responsible party.

54. Hazardous Substances

To the extent that the goods to be supplied to the Purchasing Entity by the Contractor contain or may create hazardous substances, harmful physical agents or infectious agents as set forth in applicable State and federal laws and regulations, the Contractor must provide the Purchasing Entity with Material Safety Data Sheets regarding those substances (including mercury) as required by applicable law. A copy must be included with each delivery.

55. Customer Satisfaction/Complaint Resolution

- A. The Contractor's process for resolving complaints concerning products, support, and billing problems is attached as **Exhibit B**.
- B. The Contractor will submit a format for a survey for approval by the Contract Administrator. The Contractor will survey its customers in each Participating State two (2) months prior to the annual meeting with the Contract Administrator.

56. Value Added Services

The Contractor is expected to provide such services as installation, training, and software imaging upon request of the Purchasing Entity. Additional Value Added Services offered by the Contractor are attached as **Exhibit C**, including relative costs associated with those services.

57. E-Rate Program

The Contractor's E-Rate identification number is SPIN # 143024494.

Storage Area Network products fall within the list of qualifying products. However, their eligibility is restricted to certain uses of the products. The Contractor will work with the individual agencies to determine their intended use and whether or not they would be eligible under the list of qualifying products.

The Contractor shall use commercially reasonable efforts to continue its involvement in this program and to add products as applicable.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date of execution by the State of Minnesota, Commissioner of Administration, below.

1. XIOTECH CORPORATION The Contractor certifies that the appropriate person(s) have executed this Agreement on behalf of the Contractor as required by applicable articles, bylaws, resolutions, or ordinances.	2. MATERIALS MANAGEMENT DIVISION In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 16C.03, Subd. 3. By: Demandation Normalized
Ву:	Title: Acquisition Management Specialist
Title: OFO	Date: 7/6/04
Date:	3. COMMISSIONER OF ADMINISTRATION Or delegated representative.
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EXHIBIT A - ADDITIONAL WARRANTIES

A. MANUFACTURERS STANDARD LIMITED WARRANTY (XIOtech-brand hardware only)

XIOtech's standard limited warranty is three year parts replacement, including the limitations set forth below. This warranty is contingent upon proper use of a Product for the purchaser's internal business purposes only, in the application for which it was intended. Except for the express warranty stated above, or as otherwise expressly stated in the Contract, XIOtech grants no other warranties, express or implied, by statute or otherwise, regarding the products, their fitness for any purpose, their quality, their merchantability, or otherwise XIOtech's liability under the warranty above in connection with problems arising from a unit of Product shall be limited to, in XIOtech's sole discretion, repairing or replacing Product with a conforming Product or a refund of XIOtech's sales price to customer for such unit of Product. In no event shall XIOtech be liable for the cost of procurement of substitute goods by any person or entity, including but not limited to the Participating Entity, or for any special, consequential or incidental damages for breach of warranty.

B. END USER LICENSE, SOFTWARE LIMITED WARRANTY (XIOtech software only)

XIOtech's Software Limited Warranty will be provided to end user's as part of its End User License Agreement with each Participating Entity. The printed warranty provides that XIOtech software will perform substantially in accordance with the Related Documentation for a period of ninety (90) calendar days from date of shipment from XIOtech. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS CONTRACT ONLY, XIOTECH'S SOFTWARE WARRANTY ("10, WARRANTY") FOR PARTICIPATING ENTITIES IS HEREBY AMENDED TO PROVIDE THAT THE SOFTWARE WILL PERFORM SUBSTANTIALLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RELATED DOCUMENTATION FOR A PERIOD OF NINETY (90) CALENDAR DAYS FROM THE DATE OF DELIVERY TO A PARTICIPATING ENTITY.

C. SUPPORT SERVICES WARRANTY (XIOtech-provided services only)

Participating Entities entering into a support agreement with XIOtech as provided by the Contract will receive an additional limited warranty relating only to those services.

EXHIBIT B - COMPLAINT RESOLUTION

When an end user customer requires Technical Support for their system, they have three (3) options that will provide them with a direct link to the XIOtech Technical Support Department within the Services Group. They are as follows:

A. Call Technical Support directly at 1-800-734-4716

A customer may place a direct call to Technical Support to speak with a Technical Account Manager ("TAM") who will assist in resolving the issue. If the support issue requires more attention, the call will be escalated to a higher level team consisting of XIOtech hardware and software engineers. This escalation will be handled exclusively by the TAM.

1. Off-Hours Call Handling

The normal operating hours of XIOtech's Technical Support Department are 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM, Monday through Friday (Central Time). Calls placed to XIOtech's Technical Support during those hours will be answered by a XIOtech Technical Account Manager and processed accordingly.

Calls placed to XIOtech Technical Support outside of normal operating hours will be taken by an Extended Call Management Service Provider (ECMSP).

The ECMSP will obtain the contact information and details regarding the customer call, and then relay the information to the on-call XIOtech Technical Account Manager (TAM). Once the relayed call is received by the on-call TAM, the TAM will confirm with the ECMSP that the call was received. The TAM then initiates contact with the customer to work towards resolution of the customer issue. The on-call TAM is supplied with all of the same resources he or she would normally use while working within normal business hours on-site at XIOtech.

2. Parts Logistics

Most support issues processed by XIOtech do not require replacement components. But in the event that a replacement component is required, XIOtech relies on its world-class parts logistics provider.

XIOtech has established a parts infrastructure that ensures all areas, including those with even the smallest concentration of XIOtech products, are provided with a 24x7 Emergency Parts Center (EPC). An EPC is loaded with replacement parts that can be delivered to an end-user within an average of 4-hours.

3. Personnel Dispatch

Once the required part(s) arrives on-site, XIOtech offers the capability for its customers to take the lead in the support process and perform their own service on their system. If the part is a CRU (Customer Replaceable Unit), the end-user has the option to perform the required service under the direction of a XIOtech Technical Account Manager.

If the end-user does not desire to perform the service, or if the replacement part is not deemed replaceable by the customer, XIOtech will engage its Personnel Dispatch process.

XIOtech not only maintains replacement parts in areas of high customer concentration but also the personnel necessary to perform services.

In all areas of high product concentration, XIOtech has employed a dedicated resource called a Field Engineer (FE). The purpose of the FE is to maintain an ongoing relationship with the customers to whom they are assigned. The relationship consists of performing installations of new systems where required, and supporting those systems if and when they ever require service. In the event that the primary Field Engineer is not readily available, the services of a XIOtech Sales Engineer or a Third-Party Maintenance Provider are called upon to ensure the required services are performed.

Once all required services are performed and the support issue has been resolved, XIOtech confirms with the customer that the issue is closed.

Replacement parts shall be shipped on the same business day as requested and received within 48 hours.

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B. Utilizing the Web Request for Support

Requests received via the Web are handled in a fashion similar to direct calls received from the 1-800 number, but are processed with a lower priority. Urgent calls should be communicated via the 1-800 number.

C. EXPERTcare Active Watch Messages

EXPERTcare Active Watch enables a system to phone home in the event of an error, without any effort from the end user customer. Errors are recorded and a message is generated by a system inside of XIOtech. The messages are then processed and forwarded to a support queue and are proactively processed in accordance with the severity of the issue. Most often, XIOtech is working to resolve the issue long before the end user customer is even aware that there is a problem.

D. Call Escalation

A direct call to XIOtech Technical Support to speak with a Technical Account Manager ("TAM") will initiate the 3rd level support process. If a support issue requires more attention, the call will be escalated to a XIOtech Continuation Engineer. When calling XIOtech for 3rd level support, please have the following information readily available to expedite the support process:

- 1. Magnitude or DSC Serial Number
- 2. Firmware Level
- 3. Detailed Problem Description
- 4. Current Snapshot (if available)

Escalation Contacts:

Scott Hayes, Technical Support Manager 952-983-2524

- 2. Mike Murphy, Advanced Technical Support Manager 952-983-2141
- Bryan Schueler, Vice President of Worldwide Services 952-983-2264

Billing Escalation Contacts:

- 1. Jill Patterson, Order Administration, 952/983-2423
- 2. Nancy McCue, Senior Account, 52/983-2413
- 3. John Stiebner, Controller, 952/983-2418
- 4. Steve Snyder, Chief Financial Officer, 952/983-3109

EXHIBIT C - VALUE ADDED SERVICES

Contact the Contractor for more details on these services and their related costs:

A. Professional Services

These services are limited to the equipment and configuration of the equipment purchased through this Agreement.

- 1. Planning and Design
 - a. SAN Assessment
 - b. SAN Design
 - c. Pilot Deployment
- 2. Deployment
 - a. Project Management
 - b. SAN implementation
 - c. Installation
- 3. SAN-Enabled Solutions
 - a. Data Migration
 - b. Disaster Recovery
 - c. Backup and Restore
- 4. Follow-On Support
 - a. Tuning and Optimization
 - b. Training
 - c. Staff Augmentation
 - d. SAN Management Services
 - e. Implementation and Deployment Services

B. Installation

XIOtech has field services personnel to ensure that equipment is installed and configured correctly for each client's environment. XIOtech has developed a system that is extremely flexible in meeting those needs, especially if they have changed since the original configuration was determined.

Magnitude and Magnitude 3D

The Magnitude or Magnitude 3D is unpacked, set up, and configured quickly and efficiently to meet your specific needs.

In addition, on-site instruction can be provided at the time of installation to ensure that IT administrators are familiar with the basic use of Magnitude or Magnitude 3D for their configuration and how servers are configured to connect to the storage network.

2. Fibre Channel Switches

Fibre Channel switches control traffic flow based on the World Wide Name (WWN) of the Fibre Channel adapters connected to the storage area network (SAN).

XIOtech can help configure switches for optimal use to ensure the latest firmware updates and basic configurations are in place and functioning.

Basic instruction on zoning of the fabric takes place during the installation of the switch infrastructure.

Rack Mounting a Magnitude

XIOtech provides rack-mounting hardware to place a Magnitude in a standard 19" rack in your data center. This allows you to take advantage of valuable floor space because additional devices are mounted above the Magnitude in the rack. XIOtech can sell a system preconfigured for rack mounting or can provide a kit to modify the outer shell of an existing system to be rack-mounted.

Magnitude 3D, being modular, installs in a standard 19" rack. As this is the only way to install Magnitude 3D, rack mounting is considered part of the basic installation.

C. Relocation

XIOtech can help you relocate your storage equipment whether you decide to move the equipment to another building, city, or halfway around the globe.

D. Staff Augmentation

XIOtech can augment your staff with a part-time or full-time customer engineer who will address your storage needs. XIOtech's customer engineers are skilled at issues surrounding configuration of XIOtech-sold equipment. The on-site engineer also can assist in the configuration of related activities such as backup solutions.

E. Customer Technical Training

Administrator classes allow customers the ability to maximize their investment in the Magnitude and/or Magnitude 3D. XIOtech offers two training classes for customers and our preferred partners:

1. Certified XIOtech Engineer - Magnitude (CXE-Magnitude). This course is focused on the administration of Magnitude only.

2. Certified XIOtech Engineer - 3D (CXE-3D). This class is focused on the administration of Magnitude 3D and some integration aspects of Magnitude and Magnitude 3D.

In addition, we promote strong relationships with key industry leaders to deliver comprehensive networked storage and business solutions for our customers. Our strategic alliances provide the framework for extensive compatibility testing, certification, and cooperative product design — giving customers the assurance that XIOtech's networked storage solutions will be fully interoperable and supported in their existing and future IT infrastructures.

Our alliances cover the full spectrum of Industry Partners, Infrastructure Partners and Management Partners. Industry Partners include the undisputed leaders in enterprise operating systems and applications. Infrastructure Partners provide the technology for the SAN infrastructure, such as switches and host bus adapters (HBAs). Management Partners offer innovative software for simplifying and coordinating storage management and provisioning.